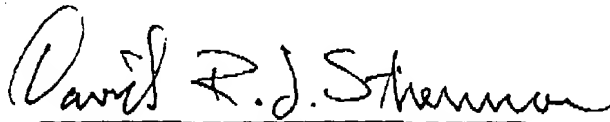


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electd in the event that generic claim 1 was not found to be allowable. For clarification, the non-elected dependent claims 41-48 including the non-elected species have been cancelled. However, applicant notes that should a generic claim be allowed, under 37 C.F.R. 141(a) applicant will be entitled to consideration of those cancelled claims which are dependent upon the allowed generic claim.

Applicant believes that no new matter has been added by this amendment, and that the claims are now in condition for examination. Favorable action thereon is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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